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# A Message from the President

Dear Mid-Coast Member:

The change in seasons always brings excitement, however the first of March also welcomed the return of the *Super Sale* in Houston. The crowd and averages were wonderful, thanks to sale chairman, Jerome Urbanosky and his committee (the Urbanosky Family) along with countless others! Prior to the sale, the aisles between the sale cattle were full of current and past members as they mingled during the Annual Aisle Party! Once again thanks to Betty McCormick and her crew for another great year!

During April, Grimes County Fairgrounds in Navasota was the site for our annual Chuck wagon fajita and peach cobbler dinner. In addition to great conversation with fellow members, Steven Kahla, field representative for the Santa Gertrudis USA along with his wife, Erica and daughter, Sidney were introduced to the crowd. The following day, the Norval & Anna Sells Mid-Coast Jr. Show and meeting were held with approximately 72 head of cattle shown. Thanks to the energy of Youth Advisor, Clay Yorek the show went off without a hitch! Congratulations to all the juniors, and Pee Wee showmen that participated and those who won offices and scholarships!

With this next change in seasons brings several large events—the National Junior Santa Gertrudis Heifer Show, which will be held in Kingsville June 14-18, and the Mid-Coast Annual Meeting & Cattleman's Opportunity Sale held in Brenham August 21-22. If you have never been to the junior nationals, I invite you to see the best kids and cattle anywhere!

While we are talking about seeing cattle, make sure you decide which lots you will be consigning to the Cattleman's Opportunity Sale and get those nominations sent in to Sale Chairman, John Justiss—the June 15th deadline is fast approaching. I look forward to seeing everyone at the upcoming events!

Stay involved and together we'll move forward!

Regards,

Cheryll Grainger

## **Houston Aisle Party**

The Mid-Coast Association hosted an "Aisle Party" during the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo, immediately preceding the Super Sale on March 4, 2010. Members and quests enjoyed a great evening of refreshments and visiting among the aisles of the sale cattle. Many long time Mid-Coast and Santa Gertrudis breeders were in attendance for this annual event. Mid-Coast's booth was set up during the event as well as the week to introduce and inform propective breeders about Santa Gertrudis cattle.













## SUPER SALE



March 4, 2010
Reliant Center, Houston, TX
Auctioneer: Chris Taliaferro
Box: Jerome Urbanosky
Sale Chairman: Jerome Urbanosky

2 Bulls - \$7,000 w/average \$3,500 17 Open Heifers - \$24,350 w/average \$1,432 4 Bred Heifers - \$10,400 w/average \$2,600 The sale grossed \$41,750 and averaged \$1,815 on 23 lots.

#### **High Selling Lots**

**\$5,300 - High Selling Lot (Bull)** - O.U. Super Star, sired by Hatchet 150. From Mosby Creek - Larry Osborne & Shaker Hill - T.D. Ullrich, to Tinney Farms - Howard Tinney, Hanceville, AL & Gray Oaks Farm - Dennis Jones, Russellville, AL.

**\$3,600 - High Selling Bred Heifer** - Balily 8-94, sired by Vincenzo - G204. From Urbanosky Ranch, Plantersville, TX to Red Doc Farms, Belen, NM.

**\$2,450 – High Selling Open Heifer** – Rocking A's Christina 917, sired by Briggs 021/4. From Rocking A Ranch to Mason Koster, Alvin, TX.





#### SGBI News . . .

Two recent bylaw amendments considered by the membership were: (1) proposal that the qualifying age for youth membership be changed to include eligibility up to the individual's 22nd birthday (bylaw and constitution amendments), (2) proposal that the position of vice president - long range planning be established.

#### **Final Vote Results**

Amendment to constitution & bylaws re increasing youth membership qualifying age:

Yes - 59, No - 152

Constitution and bylaws amendment declined by the membership.

Amendment to bylaws to establish position of VP-LongRangePlanning:
Yes - 138; No - 61

Bylaws amendment approved by the membership.

During the last annual meeting in Nashville, the general membership overwhelmingly defeated a bylaw amendment proposing formal extension of the upper limit age for participating in junior activities to 22. The defeat of the proposed amendment results in juniors past their 21st birthday being ineligible to participate in SGBI sanctioned junior activities.

Prior to defeat of the bylaw amendment, qualified juniors could participate in junior activities up to the date of their 22nd birthday. In order to facilitate a smooth transition to the reduced upper age limits, your Board approved a one year transition period to implement the reduction in age to an individual's 21st birthday.

The Board's rationale for approving the transition was intended to give all participants who are paid bona fide SGBI members lengthy notice of the change, permit individuals who have worked hard to participate in junior activities during the current year the privilege to do so and finally, to set a clear and unambiguous deadline for reversion to the 21st birthday limit.

The transition period will end immediately prior to the National Junior Show in 2011. No individual reaching their 21st birthday prior to the 2011 National Junior Show will be eligible to participate in junior activities after that date.

We are very proud of the success the junior program has enjoyed through the years and look forward to an even brighter future for the junior program. Feel free to contact myself, David Hampton or Nancy Wunderlich with questions regarding the transition period.

Ervin Kaatz resigned as Executive Director of Santa Gertrudis Breeders International effective June 15, 2010. Ervin will remain in the office in Kingsville until April 30th. He will be on annual leave between May 1st and June 15th. Ervin has made substantial contributions to promotion of the Santa Gertrudis breed and we are appreciative of his years of service.

Last year, your Board adopted a succession plan to be implemented in the event of a vacancy in the Executive Director position. Pursuant to the succession plan, your Board has approved the appointment of myself and Scott Moore to act as executive director until a suitable candidate is selected to fill the position.

The succession plan also provides for the appointment of a search committee representing a diverse group of Santa Gertrudis breeders. Your Board has approved a search committee consisting of Scott Moore, John Denson, Deanna Parker, Adolfo Sanchez and myself. Tom Dubois will serve as an ex-officio member of the committee.

At the time the Board approved the succession plan, an updated Executive Director position description was also approved. The search committee intents to conduct an aggressive and thorough search to find suitable candidates meeting the capability and experience requirements included in the position description.

We plan to seek input from a variety of SGBI members in addition to the members of the search committee. Final evaluation and selection of a candidate for the position will rest with your Board of Directors.

All of your volunteer officers and directors are determined to make this a smooth and orderly transition. If you have questions or concerns, please feel free to contact one of the officers or directors and we will make sure your questions or concerns are addressed promptly. Thank you for your continued support of our efforts to promote the breed and provide increasing levels of service for our members.

Lamar Kelly, SGBI President (404) 915-4952

## Mid Coast Santa Gertrudis Association Membership Application Membership Year January—December

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#### In the News...



Ethan Paul Black, son on Taylor Black and former junior and Mid-Coast member Kaitlin Schuleman was born March 31, 2010 at Memorial Hermann Hospital in The Woodlands. He was 17 1/2 inches long and weighed 4 lbs 12 ounces. Grandparents are Neal & Tanya Schuleman and Grand & Suzan Black.

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Emma McCormick, daughter of Rick and Betty
McCormick of Sealy recently won District 35-3A
in the 3200 meter run with a time of 12:22 minutes.
Emma is a junior at Sealy High School and also is a
member of the Varsity Cross Country, Track and
Soccer teams. She has been showing cattle since
2001 and is a Mid-Coast Jr. Member, as well as the
2007-2008 National Junior Santa Gertrudis Princess.



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Clint Blaha, son on Bud & Cindy Blaha of El Campo advanced to the Regional track meet after placing in three events at District - 110m Hurdles - 2<sup>nd</sup> Place, High Jump -2<sup>nd</sup> Place; Mile Relay - 1<sup>st</sup> Place. The regional track meet was held at the Sam Houston State University in Huntsville, Texas. Clint placed 5<sup>th</sup> in the 110 Hurdles; 5<sup>th</sup> in the Sprint Relay; 1<sup>st</sup> in the Mile Relay, which advanced the team to the State Track Meet. At the State Track Meet in Austin, the Mile Relay placed 8<sup>th</sup> place. Clint runs the 3<sup>rd</sup> leg of this relay. He is a senior at Louise High School and has been a long time Mid-Coast Jr. Member.

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Former junior member, Jerome Urbanosky III and his finance' Leigh Dean will be married June 5, 2010. Jerome is employed at Western International in Bellville and Leigh works for Tomball Women's Health Care Center in Tomball. After the wedding the couple will reside on the Urbanosky Ranch in Plantersville. Jerome is the son of long time Santa Gertrudis breeders, Jerome & Jane Urbanosky also of Plantersville.

#### Junior News

The Norval & Anna Sells Mid-Coast Jr. Heifer Show was held on Saturday, April 24th at the Grimes Co. Fairgrounds in Navasota, TX. Judge Jason Cleere chose the following as showman-ship winners after an extensive workout:

Pee Wee Showmanship: Mason Yorek, Caden Yorek, Madison Moran, Sage Fisher, Alyssa Garcia,

Sydney Lackey, and Mason Villaneuva

Junior Division: 1st Brooke Wallace, 2nd Sage Combs, 3rd Bayli Fisher

Intermediate Division: 1st Clay Robinson, 2nd Jaclyn Robinson, 3rd Codi Coulter Senior Division: 1st Jamie Stephenson, 2nd Lauren Grainger, 3rd Matthew Longron

Old Timers Showmanship Winner: Christy Moran

Judge Cleere followed showmanship by working through the 72 head of cattle to select the following winners:

Calf Division: Champion—Solomon Butler
Junior Calf Division: Champion—Matthew Longron
Yearling Division: Champion—Codi Coulter
Senior Division: Champion—Hillary Trant
Reserve Champion—Brooke Wallace
Reserve Champion—Ernest Garcia

Grand Champion—Hillary Trant Reserve Champion—Codi Coulter

Star Five Champion & Reserve Champion—Andrew Fleming

Thank you to the following show donors:

Kelly Vesper, Trey & Dana Daniel, Schuleman & Combs Families, Dan Pohl Family, Broken T Ranch, Rockin' P, Jamie Stephenson, Four J Cattle Co., Rocking A Ranch, CF Cattle Co., David & Christy Moran, Dana Wilson and Ben E. Keith—Jamie Symon.

Immediately following the show, the junior members held their annual meeting and election. New officers
 elected were: President—Lauren Grainger, Vice President—Clay Robinson, Secretary—Codi Coulter and Re-

• porter—Brooke Wallace. Also elected to represent Mid-Coast was Queen Kayla Threet and Princess Bayli

• Fisher. Scholarships were awarded to the following: Norval & Anna Sells Scholarship—Jamie Stephenson, as

well as Mid-Coast Scholarships to: Jordan Symon, Tana Townsend and Matthew Longron. Youth Advisor, Clay
 Yorek presented the "Charlie Wilson Award" this year to Clay Robinson.









#### Mid Coast Jr. Association Officers:

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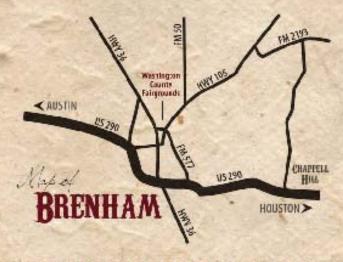
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Rooms have been blocked under "the Cattleman's Opportunity Sale." Please reserve yours by July 20, 2010.

# Mid-Coast Santa Gertrudis Association's Cattleman's Opportunity Sale 2010

Sale Chairman - John Justiss

#### **Consignment Letter and Form**

Dear Santa Gertrudis Breeder.

The Mid-Coast Santa Gertrudis Association proudly announces the Cattleman's Opportunity Sale, on **Saturday**, **August 21**, **2010**, **at 11** a.m. at the Washington County Fairgrounds Sale Facility in Brenham, Texas. Mid-Coast members invite **all Santa Gertrudis Breeders** to consign and join us for this exciting annual event. Last year's sale was good, considering the drought. This year's sale should be outstanding with a lot of demand for quality females.

Here are the sale rules and screening standards to assist you in selecting your lots. Sale cattle may not possess any characteristics under the "Disqualifications" column of the SGBI Standard of Excellence. Please call me if I can help you: John Justiss at 361-293-2674 or 361-772-0301.

- 1. Pens constitute three head or less.
- 2. All cattle must be purebred registered Santa Gertrudis.
- 3. Santa Gertrudis females must be between the ages of 9 months through 6 years old. In other words, females must not be 7 years old the day of the sale. Fertility all females must be guaranteed safe in calf by a licensed vet by 26 months of age and to calve before 36 months of age. Females with a calf at side over 6 months of age must be palpated safe in calf by a licensed vet. Females with calf over 9 months of age must be palpated safe in second trimester by licensed vet. Females with a calf under 6 months old may sell exposed or open. Any female 4 years or older must have a record of calving interval.
- 4. Embryos and flushes, donor cows, and bred recipient cows are eligible for the sale.
- 5. Three lots of **pre-screened** bulls 15 to 30 months of age will be accepted for consignment. A bull must be fertility tested and be confirmed a satisfactory breeder within 30 days of the sale by a licensed vet. Please call John Justiss to arrange for the pre-screening. Bulls must have performance data and a sheath score of three or less. Bulls must be Trich tested according to Texas Animal Health Commission rules.
- 6. Cattle must be sound, functional, and in good flesh.
- 7. Please refer to the SGBI Standard of Excellence. Cattle falling under the "Disqualifications" section will not be allowed in the sale. Call if you need a copy.
- 8. Cattle must have health papers issued within 30 days of sale date. Be sure your veterinarian includes palpation results on these papers. Animals must be eligible for interstate shipment. Check with your vet about brucellosis testing for cows 18 months of age or older.

Any animal not meeting these requirements will be automatically removed from the sale offering.

The consignment fee is \$60.00 per lot or per pen. Make checks payable to: Mid-Coast Santa Gertrudis Association and mail in with your entry form and copy of registration papers to: Mid-Coast Santa Gertrudis Association, Attn: Cattleman's Opportunity Sale, John Justiss, 302 Willie Blank Rd., Yoakum, TX 77995.

All cattle will be screened at check in with the exception of bulls, which must be pre-screened. Any consignors needing assistance of any kind, including selection of cattle, getting ready for the sale, etc; please feel free to contact any Mid-Coast board member or the sale chairman. Commission will be 10%. The consignment fee does not apply towards commission. All consignors are asked to be members of Mid-Coast or may join Mid-Coast for the first time for \$15.00. Remember, these dollars help promote our breed!

Please mark your calendars now and plan to attend! This is the major event for the Mid-Coast Santa Gertrudis Association, and we are going to have a great time with plenty of quality cattle on display. There will be a Tailgate Party organized by Kelly Vesper and Dan Pohl on Friday evening starting at 4 p.m., followed by a Barbecue Dinner and the Mid-Coast Annual Meeting with plenty of refreshments and fun for the whole family. The Mid-Coast Juniors are joining in with a Silent Auction which will close at the conclusion of the sale.

## Cattleman's Opportunity Sale

2010 Consignment Information Form

(Please use a separate form for each lot.)

## Washington County Fairgrounds Sale Facility – Brenham, TX August 21, 2010

Entry Deadline: June 15, 2010. Fees: \$60.00 per lot or per pen. Commission will be 10%. Make checks payable to: Mid-Coast Santa Gertrudis Association.

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June 14-20 — National Jr. Santa Gertrudis Heifer Show, Kingsville, TX

June 15 — Cattleman's Opportunity Sale Nomination Form deadline

June 30 — Ownership deadline for State Fair of Texas

August 20 — Mid-Coast Tailgate Party/Annual Meeting, Brenham, TX

August 21 — Cattleman's Opportunity Sale, Brenham, TX